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AGRI EXPORT ZONE
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of proposals for setting up Agri-Export zones pending with the Government at present, State-wise;

(b) the reasons for delay in clearing the same; and

(c) the time by which these are likely to be cleared, State-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGOVAN)

(a): Proposals for setting up of 33 Agri Export Zones (AEZs) from 18 states are pending consideration of the government. Statewise details are as under:

State	No.of State prop-osals	State	No.of State prop-osals	State	No.of State prop-osals	State	Number of proposals
Andhra Pradesh	3	Kerala	1	Karnataka	6	Nagaland	1
Arunachal Pradesh	1	Manipur	1	Punjab	1	Tamil Nadu	2
Assam	1	Madhya Pradesh	1	Sikkim	1	Rajasthan	1
Bihar	1	Maharashtra	1	Uttar Pradesh	7		
Gujarat	2	Jharkhand	1	Mizoram	1		

(b)&(c): A peer evaluation of the performance of the existing AEZs, with a view to ascertain the reasons for shortfall in achievement of targets and suggest remedial action, is in progress. The proposals for setting up of new AEZs will be taken up for sanction after the evaluation is completed.